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## RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

1. The Request for Reconsideration filed 12/05/05 has been considered, but is not persuasive. It is maintained that the Appeal Brief filed 04/20/05 is still defective for the reasons set forth in the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief of 08/05/05.

2. Note that the time for response continues to run from the date of the Notice of Non-Compliant Brief mailed 08/05/05.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Suzanne Dino Barrett whose telephone number is 571-272-7053. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 8:30-7:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Glessner can be reached on 571-272-6843. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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